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ABOUT THE ROADS

Another proposition was presented to the Levy Court this week, in reference to the expenditure of the good roads appropriation. It came in the shape of a resolution, providing for an equal division of the money upon the road leading from the southern boundary line of Wilmington (over Market Street Bridge) towards Hare's Corner, and on the road leading from Wilmington to Marshallton.

This resolution was adroitly worded so that it would appeal to the two city members of the Levy Court who would of course like to see good roads leading out of Wilmington, and would also appeal to the members from the Fourth and Fifth Levy Court Districts as the proposed improvements would be in their districts. These four members would be enough to pass the proposition. But it is to be hoped, that the members will view this matter from the standpoint of the public good. We believe that to secure a further and larger appropriation from the next Legislature the present expenditures should be in the nature of sample miles in the several districts. Under the above proposition, the only Hundreds to be benefitted this year would be Mill Creek and New Castle. This would leave eight Hundreds out of it. Each of these have one Representative and together they have four Senators, or a total of twelve votes. As it takes two-thirds of each house of the General Assembly to pass appropriation bills, it would be perilously near to defeat if these Representatives should act in the manner that the framers of the resolution hoped to have the majority of the Levy Court to act. We think now as we expressed ourselves early in this discussion that the most satisfactory division of this money would be to expend \$4,000 in each of the five Levy Court Districts outside the city of Wilmington, so locating the improvements that when additions are made thereto, it will provide one continuous good road from the Northern to the Southern boundary of the county. But what ever is done should be done quickly. The present is the best time of the year to work on the roads. If put off until late in the summer or fall, it might be that early frosts would interfere with good work.

APPEAL DAY

We had hoped that after the attention of the Town Commissioners was called to the law as laid down in the Charter, they would change the day for holding the court of appeal from Tuesday to some Monday later in the month. But it seems to be the intention to hold this appeal day on Tuesday the 26th inst. At least, no other public notice has been given. We are sorry that this decision has been made, as it will place a taint upon the tax levy, that may result in the loss of a years taxes or a large percentage of them. We do not think that anyone of the Commissioners would claim that they had the right to hold a Town Election on the first Tuesday in March instead of the first Monday. Yet the date of holding this election is fixed in the same act of the General Assembly (but in a different section) that fixes the date for holding the Court of Appeals, and the restrictions in one part of the law are as exacting as those in any other part. Any tax-payer who feels aggrieved at his assessment or who cares to get out of his share of the town's expenses has a right to test this case. If tested, there is, we believe, no possible defense on the part of the commissioners.

HEAD SOLD FOR \$25

The biggest head ever caught in the Delaware River, so far as the fishermen's record goes, was shipped to Major William H. McCormick, of the Delaware Avenue fish market, Philadelphia, Wednesday and the recipient was the proudest man among the fish fanciers along the river front. It weighed 14 pounds, when out of the net near Washington Park. A number of its companions were snatched and it looked large enough, as it wriggled and flapped about to get back into water, to be the mother of the whole school. It was sent to the market carefully packed in ice and reached there alive, and was sold at the high price of \$25.

SASSAFRAS ITEMS

Miss Alice Dreka left Wednesday for Philadelphia.
The public schools of Kent County will close June 17th.
We have experienced a very hot wave for several days past.
The Teachers' Association will be held in Chester town, June 5th.
Mrs. Peverly, of Philadelphia, is the guest of Mrs. John Johnston.
Mrs. Robert S. Griffith is visiting relatives in Chester and Wilmington.
Messrs. Jacob T. Shallcross and Alexander T. Laws spent Tuesday in Chester town.

Mrs. John F. Ernest and Mrs. Belle Cault visited Townsend friends and relatives on Friday.
The annual teacher's examination in Cecil County will be held in Elkton, June 10th to 14th.
Miss Bessie Gunkel, of Warwick, was entertained on Wednesday by her sister, Mrs. John F. Ernest.
Special U. S. Pension Agent Fletcher visited Kent County last week investigating Uncle Sam's pensioners.

The members of the Rehoboth Church held a strawberry and ice cream festival in the Town Hall on Thursday evening.
Mr. Augustus Dreka returned home from DeLand, Fla., on Thursday last, after having spent the Winter and Spring there.
Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Thornley and son were the guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Mumford, in Galena, on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman B. Massey and son were entertained by Mr. Jacob T. Shallcross and Mrs. Thera Shallcross on Tuesday evening.
Services will be held in the M. P. Church every other Sunday afternoon instead of in the evening and every other Sunday morning as usual.

Several new members were added to the roll of Sassafras Council, Jr. O. U. A. M., on Tuesday evening, when Herman B. Massey and Sheppard Morris, Jr., were initiated.
Miss Bessie Gunkel, of Warwick, and friend, Miss Allie Jones, of Philadelphia, attended the Maryland Christian Endeavor Convention which was in session at Washington, D. C., last week.

We feel sorry to report there is no improvement in the condition of Mrs. Robert Johnston who is very ill at the home of her sister, Mrs. Arthur Emerson, in Fairlee. Mr. Johnston and sons spent from Saturday until Monday with her.

ST. GEORGES ITEMS

James Money, of Summit Bridge, was in town on Wednesday.
James White and wife were visitors in Wilmington on Monday.

Dr. and Mrs. J. W. DeWitt spent part of this week in Philadelphia.
Misses Beulah and Katie Swartz spent Wednesday in Wilmington.

Miss Ida Wright is spending this week with friends at Summit Bridge.
Miss Mollie Taylor has returned from a visit to Delaware City relatives.
Malon A. Wright, of Philadelphia, is visiting his brother, Charles Wright and family.

Mrs. Seth O. Gibbons and son, Herbert, have returned from a visit to Wilmington.

Postmaster D. B. Stewart visited Richard Cann at his home in Kirkwood on Wednesday.
Mrs. J. W. Carrow, Jr., visited Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Shahan, in Dutch Neck, Monday.

Mrs. A. J. Brown, of Delaware City, was the guest of James Paynter and daughter on Wednesday.

George N. Bright, wife and son, of Delaware City, were entertained by her parents, A. N. Sutton and wife, Thursday.
Rev. E. H. Collins and wife, of Bethel, Md., were in town on Tuesday evening and attended the strawberry festival given by the Ladies' Aid Society of the M. E. Church.

WARWICK HAPPENINGS

Mr. N. N. Aiken spent Sunday in town.

Mrs. J. H. Holden spent Sunday with her daughter near Elkton.

Miss Hayes has returned home after a weeks stay with Mrs. E. E. Marsh.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Merritt were the guests of Mrs. Arabella Piser last Sunday.

The corn, dusty road, and sultry weather surely tells us that summer is here. Have you voted yet? If not you want to go to the polls and cast your ballot for Merritt!

Miss Bessie R. Merritt, of Goltz, was the guest of friends and relatives in town Sunday.

Miss Hoover, of Cecilton, has been the guest of her sister, Mrs. J. R. Smith, during the past week.

Senior Christian Endeavor prayer meeting to-morrow evening at 6:45 Topic: "Power and prayer." Acts 1:13-14; 2:1-41.

Maryland County Shoot

The annual Maryland County Shoot for amateurs will be held on the Baltimore Shooting Association's grounds on June 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th. The catalogue issued for the occasion contains a portrait of Howard D. Jackson, of Perryville, amateur target champion of last season, and one of J. Myron Miller, of Woodland, amateur live-bird champion of Maryland.

CHESAPEAKE CITY NEWS

Miss Kay Price was in Philadelphia last week.

Miss Edith Willis spent last Thursday in Philadelphia.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Rees were Elkton visitors Saturday.

Miss Katie Borger visited Middletown one day last week.

Mr. Charles Baker was in Port Deposit during the past week.

Mrs. John Loveless is spending sometime in Trenton, N. J.

Miss Alice Dewberry visited Mrs. George Davis, last week.

Miss Effie Berry was the guest of friends in town last week.

Mr. Harry Loraine, of Philadelphia, visited his mother last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Linday Bristow visited Philadelphia relatives last week.

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Brady have been spending sometime at Atlantic City.

Miss Ella Gough, of Baltimore, spent a few days of last week with Mrs. John Hudson.

Mrs. Augustus Schofield, of Wilmington, visited her niece, Mrs. J. P. Steele, last week.

Mr. James Lane died at the home of his niece, Mrs. M. E. Freeman, on Sunday morning.

Mrs. Harry Griffith, of Morrieville, Pa., is visiting her parent, Mr. and Mrs. William J. Barwick.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Brogan, of Newark, visited his aunt, Mrs. M. E. Boulden, on Sunday.

The freemen of the Back Creek Towing Co., struck on Friday for higher wages and shorter hours.

Mrs. John Simpson is spending a few days with her daughter, Mrs. Alonzo Boulden, of Cayote.

Mrs. Joseph Foulks, of Wilmington, has been spending a few days with her mother, Mrs. Esther Rees.

Our Junior base ball team was defeated again by the Elkton Juniors, on Saturday, the score being 18 to 10.

Mrs. Elizabeth Hendrickson, and Mrs. Bessie Gunkel, of Baltimore, have been the guests of Mrs. Z. T. Cooling.

Messrs. Hugh Caldwell, Clark and Warren Barwick attended the field sports of Tome Institute on Saturday.

Rev. E. H. Dashiell and Rev. Mr. Scudvey took a trip up the canal with Mr. T. J. Cleaver on the yacht Linda, on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry C. Griffith and children have returned from Philadelphia where they have been spending the winter.

A Conundrum Tea will be given by the young ladies of Miss Margaret Pense's Sunday School Class next Friday evening.

Mrs. Ireland died at the home of her son, Holden Ireland, on Bohemia Manor on Friday, funeral services at the house with interment at Galena on Monday morning.

The Summit Bridge nine and a nine made up of six from Bethel and Ernest Hallman, Ralph Watson and John Prentiss of this place, played a game on Saturday, the game being won by the Bethel team, the score being 4 to 3.

CECILTON SIFTINGS

Mrs. William Alderson spent Tuesday with Miss Mollie Richards.

Mr. Starr, of Baltimore, is the guest of his sister, Mrs. R. M. Black.

C. V. Hoover, of Elizabeth, N. J., is now home visiting his parents.

Mrs. Ellen Hall is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Louis King, of Warwick.

Mrs. John Manlove and Miss Hennie Price visited Middletown on Monday.

The Middletown boys are expected here to play ball on this afternoon.

A. W. Jones, who has been visiting his mother has returned to Philadelphia.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Darrimore, of Townsend, visited relatives in town Sunday.

John Taylor and wife spent Saturday and Sunday with her mother, Mrs. John Taylor.

Mrs. Arrie Manlove and son, Dallas, spent Sunday with her father, Joseph Manlove.

Miss Lillie Pierce entertained her friend, Miss Minnie Messick, a few days last week.

Messrs. James H. Smith and Lewis McCoy spent Monday and Tuesday in Baltimore.

Mrs. Dollie Clayton has returned home from spending sometime with relatives in Chesapeake City.

A. Woodall Jones spent Wednesday and Thursday with relatives in Still Pond and Chestertown.

Miss Mamie Pierce is being entertained in Townsend this week by her cousin, Miss Mary Money.

Messrs. Fred Hoover and C. V. Hoover played base-ball with the Chesapeake team on Friday last.

Mrs. Mary Millikan who has been spending the past winter with relatives in Wilmington and Philadelphia has returned home.

Peach and Pear Prospects

Speaking of the fruit prospects, former Superintendent Isaac N. Mills, of the Delaware railroad, says: "There is likely to be a good crop both of pears and peaches, but great faith cannot be put in peaches until the latter part of next month, when the June drop will be past. The early frost did not do much damage to the peach buds."

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Corner Broad and Main Sts.

744 Men's Suits Have Been Added to the Special Sale

Last Friday we announced a sale of 1000 Men's Suits, mostly medium and light colors. A great part consisted of fine Worsteds—fabrics noted for great strength, as well as beauty. The response has been generous—so much so, that we have added 744 suits to the sale, making the offering to-day greater and more attractive.

The 744 suits would never be sold at such prices but for this—they were made this season from short ends of cloth, no piece making more than three or four suits; simply because they are not complete lots, we clip a good portion off the price.

Remember, these suits are all Oak Hall make—nobody figures in the manufacturing but ourselves. The materials are choice and serviceable. Every garment is silk sewed. Every garment will fit.

Dependable fabrics and honest tailoring go hand-in-hand here.

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If a suit isn't worthy—if it won't fit—what good is it?

\$18 Suits for \$13.50 \$13.50 Suits for \$10
\$15 Suits for \$11.50 \$12 Suits for \$7.75
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Carfare to Philadelphia

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OAK HALL,

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TAX COLLECTOR'S SALE.

By virtue of the power in me vested by the laws of the State of Delaware, I have levied on and will expose to public sale at the
ROAD COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE
IN THE VILLAGE OF BLACKBIRD,
ON SATURDAY,
THE 20th DAY OF JUNE, 1903,
at 10 o'clock, A. M.,
in default of the payment of \$2.37 County, Road and Poor Taxes lawfully assessed for the years 1901 and 1902, the following described real estate, to-wit:

All that piece or parcel of land situated in Blackbird Hundred, New Castle County and State of Delaware bounded and described as follows, to-wit: Beginning at a stake standing in the center of a new public road leading from the Short Lane Road to the Cypress Road; thence with the line of the land formerly of William P. Reynolds and binding thereon north forty-three and three-quarters degrees west forty-four and two-tenths perches to a large stone in the corner of the land formerly of said Reynolds and in the line of the land formerly of John W. Ford; thence with the line of the land formerly of said Ford and binding thereon north eighty-two and one-fourth degrees west sixty-one and three-tenths perches to a large stone in the line of the land of said Ford being a corner for the land formerly of Richard S. Marlin; thence with a line of said Marlin land and binding therewith south twelve degrees and twenty-six minutes west fifty-nine perches to a stake in said Marlin line and in the center of the aforesaid new public road; thence with the center of the last named road north eighty-one and a half degrees east one hundred and five and six-tenths perches to the place of beginning, containing within said bounds twenty-three acres and forty-eight acres of land.

Excepting from the said tract about four acres conveyed by John W. Ford to James Dawson.

Seized and taken in execution as the property of John W. Ford and to be sold by

ABRAM STAATS,
Collector of Taxes for Blackbird Hundred.
May 23d, 1903.

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ON SATURDAY,
THE 20th DAY OF JUNE, 1903,
at 10 o'clock, A. M.,
in default of the payment of \$11.73 County, Road and Poor Taxes lawfully assessed for the years 1901 and 1902, the following described real estate, to-wit:

All that certain piece or parcel of land situated in Blackbird Hundred, New Castle County and State of Delaware, bounded and described as follows, to-wit: Beginning at a hickory tree in a thence north four and a quarter degrees east thirty-three perches to the middle of the stream of the north-west branch of the Duck Creek; thence down said creek and the line of the land formerly of Catherine Johnson north eighty-three degrees east twenty-eight perches, south seventy-seven degrees east thirty-four perches, south fifty-nine degrees east sixteen perches, south sixty-five degrees east twenty perches to a corner for the land of James Gardner's heirs in the stream; thence with the line of the said Gardner's land south twenty degrees east twenty perches, south thirty-three and a half degrees west thirty-four perches, south thirty-seven and a half degrees west forty-seven perches to the place of beginning, containing within said metes and bounds thirty-three acres and thirty-nine perches of land be the same more or less.

Seized and taken in execution as the property of the heirs of John W. Hanby deceased, and to be sold by

ABRAM STAATS,
Collector of Taxes for Blackbird Hundred.
May 23d, 1903.

FOR SALE!

Reasonable for cash, Square Piano in good condition, also child's sold walnut crib.

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TAX COLLECTOR'S SALE.

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ROAD COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE
IN THE VILLAGE OF BLACKBIRD,
ON SATURDAY,
THE 20th DAY OF JUNE, 1903,
at 10 o'clock, A. M.,
in default of the payment of \$3.71 County, Road and Poor Taxes lawfully assessed for the years 1901 and 1902, the following described real estate, to-wit:

All that tract, piece or parcel of land situated in Blackbird Hundred, New Castle County and State of Delaware, bounded and described as follows, to-wit: Beginning at a black oak stump standing on the south side of the Pawpaw Branch a corner for the land late of Peter O'Neil; thence with the line late of Peter O'Neil and with the Murpley's Mill Road south, one-half degree west, one hundred and seventy and five tenths perches to a stone standing in the Murpley Mill Road and the Cypress Road; thence with the said Cypress Road south eighty-eight and one-half degrees east twenty-six perches to another stone standing in said Cypress Road a corner for land of John W. Roberts; thence with said Roberts' line north one-half degree east one hundred and thirteen and seven-tenths perches to a stone on the south side of the water course of Pawpaw Branch aforesaid; thence up the several courses of the same and binding therewith about thirty perches to the place of beginning, containing about eighteen acres of land be the same more or less.

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Trains Leave Middletown as Follows:
North Bound—3.30, 7.35, 9.30 and 10.27 a. m.
11.44 and 5.05 p. m.
South Bound—12.48, 2.31, 9.31 and 11.48 a. m.
2.35, 9.44 and 7.55 p. m.

Mails Close as Follows.

Going North—7.30 a. m., 10.55 a. m., 3.50 p. m., 5.45 p. m., and 9 p. m.
Going South—4.10 a. m., 4.30 p. m., and 9 p. m.
For Odessa—7.30 a. m., 11.40 a. m., 5.05 p. m.
For Warwick, Cecilton, Earlville and Sassafras—9.40 a. m.

MIDDLETOWN, DEL., MAY 23, 1903.

Local News.

Full line of Fresh Groceries at E. F. Ingram's.

Pretty Hats and White Dresses for Children's Day. Mrs. G. W. Peterson.

Summer School. Goldie College will be open all summer. See advertisement.

A splendid lot of Red Cedar Posts for wire fence at right price.

G. E. HUKILL.

Earlaria and Stone Tomato Plants for sale. George H. Kohl, near Cherry Tree Corner, Middletown, Del.

100,000 Sweet Potato Plants for sale. E. J. STEELE, Florist, Middletown, Del.

A fine stock of dry goods just opened. Laines from 25 cents to 15 cents.

Mrs. G. W. PETERSON.

Dr. W. E. BARNARD, Surgeon Dentist, office Southeast corner of Main and Scott streets.

E. I. Alper, optical specialist, has a new aid in this issue. If your eyes are troubling you give him a call, at his residence on West Main street.

100,000 Sweet Potato Plants now ready to pull, at \$1.50 per 1,000. Apply to CHARLES W. PLYNTHAM, Middletown, Del.

Over 150 patterns of summer dress goods just received in lawns, dimities, madras, silks and grenadines. Mrs. G. W. PETERSON.

Until further notice the Middletown Public Library will be open on Tuesday afternoon, from 3.30 to 5; Saturday afternoons, from 3 to 5; Saturday evenings, from 7 to 8.30.

The advance in price of cotton makes muslin much higher. We have a large stock on hand to sell at the old price. Heavily made sheets at 49 cents. Pillow cases 10 and 12 cents.

Mrs. G. W. PETERSON.

Unclaimed Letters.—The following list of letters remain unclaimed in the post office for the week ending May 14th: Miss Emma Archey, Miss Annie Cane, Miss Hannah Sedler, F. D. Kelley, William Lockwood.

William H. Elsey who was arrested three weeks ago for the larceny of 46 cents from the money drawer of Mr. John Fortner, was sentenced in the County Court Wednesday morning to serve a term of six months in the Workhouse.

Bethesda Epworth League meets in the lecture room of the M. E. Church every Sunday evening at 6.45 o'clock. Everybody is invited to attend. The topic for to-morrow evening is: "Attendance on the Means of Grace." Heb. 12: 2:25.—Leaders Miss Allie McKee.

The Young Peoples Society of Christian Endeavor of Forest Presbyterian Church, meets every Sunday evening at 6.45 o'clock. A cordial invitation is extended to everybody. The topic for to-morrow is "Power and Prayer." Acts 1: 13, 14: 2:1-4:1. Leader Miss Elizabeth Hall.

The "Friends of Old Drawers" Church will hold their annual meeting on Sunday, June 7th. The Rev. Joseph Brown Turner, of Dover, will preach the morning sermon and James Brown Dilworth, of New York, will make the address in the afternoon. The speaker will take for his subject: "Two Centuries of East St. Georges Hundred."

Constable John W. Dickinson arrested Eva and Lizzie Robinson, colored, on Thursday, for the larceny of wearing apparel and \$1.05 from the home of Abram Griffith. The children who are 10 and 12 years of age, resided at Mt. Pleasant, and their mother had deserted them some weeks back and now resides in Wilmington. At the hearing Friday "Squire Cox decided to send them to the Ferris Industrial School."

Rev. C. T. Wyatt, D. D., pastor of Bethesda M. E. Church, will preach to-morrow morning at 10.30 o'clock, from the text: "So built we the wall, for the people had a mind to work," and in the evening, at 7.30 o'clock, will preach a special sermon to the members of Major John Jones Post, No. 22, G. A. R. All members of the Post, all soldiers and marines, and all members of Patriotic Orders, are cordially invited to be present.

The remains of Mr. Paul Otway Burns, of New York, son of late Capt. Burns, formerly of Fredericktown, Maryland, were brought to Middletown on Saturday afternoon for interment in Bohemia Cemetery, near Warwick. Mr. Burns died suddenly of acute Bright's disease at Council Bluffs, Iowa, on the 9th inst., and the body was just one week on route to Middletown by express. They were taken to the undertakings room of W. J. Wilson and on Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock, were buried in the Burns burial lot at Bohemia. Rev. Father McGoldrick, officiating.

A large force of Italian laborers are now at work on the Odessa and Middletown trolley road, and the ties and poles have been distributed along the line from Middletown to Odessa. The outlook for the road being in operation at an early date is very encouraging, and those who were inclined to make light of the project when it was first started are now convinced that the Tennes Construction Company is pushing the work rapidly. The men are now grading the road through Odessa, and they will be at work in Middletown in a short time.

The continued dry spell of weather is now becoming serious. It has been at least a month since we had any rain, and as a consequence all vegetation is suffering, and if there is not some relief in a few days the strawberry crop will be a total failure, and this will mean the loss of thousands of dollars to the people of this peninsula. Wheat and hay are also showing the effects of the dry spell, and there is every indication that these crops will be very short, and all these troubles are not at all pleasant to the farmer, but what a change would come if we only had a few copious showers of rain.

The Smyrna Public Schools are preparing an exhibit of drawing, penmanship, sewing, essay work, &c., which they will send to Middletown next week to be on exhibition at the meeting of the State Federation of Women's Clubs.

The shad season which usually extends until June 10th is likely to end very shortly. This is occasioned not on account of the small run of the fish or low prices, but because the fishermen are likely to turn their attention to sturgeon.

The 40 hours devotion will be opened in St. Francis Xavier Church, next Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. The sermon on Sunday and Monday evenings will be preached by Father E. D. Davis, S. J., of Georgetown University, Washington, D. C.

At the regular morning and evening services in Dales M. E. Church last Sunday the collections amounted to \$114.25. This amount will be used to liquidate the Church extension debt of \$150.00, and the pastor, the Rev. J. R. Brown, hopes to raise the balance on Sunday next.

The annual Commencement of the Middletown High School and Academy will be held in the Middletown Opera House Monday evening, June 15th. An elaborate musical program is being prepared under the direction of Miss Lena Pleasanton. Thomas F. Bayard, Jr., of Wilmington, will deliver the address to the graduating class, and diplomas will be presented by George D. Kelley, President of the School Board.

Mr. John T. Bailey who for several years represented the Prudential Life Insurance Company in this section, but owing to failing health was compelled to resign about one year ago, died at the residence of his father Nathaniel Bailey, near Salem Church, on Sunday last, aged 34 years. Deceased made many friends while in our town who were sorry to learn of his untimely death. Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon, interment being made in Salem Cemetery.

In a copy of the Local News of West Chester, Pa., received at this office on Thursday we note the following Delawareans who are attending the West Chester State Normal School: Miss Sylvia Moore and Rosier M. McCrone, Middle town; Miss Frances Aspell, Odessa; D. Edward Atwell, Townsend; Misses Mabel McMillen and Nan C. Skinner, Glasgow; Robert B. Walker, Hockessin; Misses Bessie M. Toman and Mary B. McGonigle, of New Castle; Misses Edna J. Lilley and Essie A. McKee, of Newark; Miss Stella C. Taylor, Felton; Miss Hattie M. Vinyard, Harrington; Miss Jennie I. Jump, Hoonston, and M. C. Whitehead, Lincoln.

Many of our people who were disappointed on April 14th, when owing to the death of the Rev. C. F. Sheppard the Norma Glee Club and Wesley Quartette, of Dover, were compelled to cancel their date in the Opera House of this town, will be delighted to learn that they will be with us on Tuesday evening, June 2d. The company consists of two quartettes—Swell trained singers—as follows: Mixed voices—Mrs. Miriam Sheppard, Deborah, soprano; Miss Matilda B. Conwell, contralto; J. Milton Davidson, tenor; J. B. Wharton, basso. Women's voices—Mrs. M. S. Davidson, 1st soprano; Miss Edna Cariss, 2d soprano; Miss Mary B. Wharton, 1st alto; Miss Matilda B. Conwell, 2d alto.

A slick talker called on some of our merchants last week, and represented himself as being an advertising solicitor for a small periodical which was to be published in the interest of St. Joseph's Catholic Church, of this town, and after presenting several letters from Priests of other sections, he would explain to the merchant that he had called on Father McGoldrick who had given him a list of the names of our business men who he (Father McGoldrick) desired him to call on, and as a result of his efforts some of our merchants are out several dollars. Father McGoldrick called on us this week and requested us to say, that so far as he knows, the man was a fraud, as he did not call on him, and he feels greatly aggrieved over the fact that his name was used in aiding the swindler to further his scheme.

TOWNSEND NOTES

Mrs. W. H. Money spent Tuesday in Smyrna.

Mr. W. Hart Scott spent Sunday in Wilmington.

Mr. W. Harnish Reynolds spent Wednesday in Philadelphia.

Mrs. D. P. Hutchison spent several days in Wilmington this week.

Mrs. John Leech, of New Castle, spent Tuesday with her father, Mr. B. G. Lockerman.

Mrs. J. P. Pritchard visited her son, Mrs. J. P. Pritchard, of St. Georges, on Monday.

Mr. Winfield Lattomus and daughter, Miss Arrelle, were in Wilmington on Saturday.

Mr. Samuel Watts and wife visited his brother, Mr. James Watts, of Cecilton, on Sunday.

Mrs. Carrie Ellis, of Philadelphia, visited her brother, Mr. John Ellis, on Wednesday.

Mrs. W. N. Watts and daughter, Mrs. D. B. Jones, visited Mrs. William Evans, of Middletown, on Tuesday.

Miss Mamie Pierce, who has been visiting Miss Mary Moore, returned to her home near Cecilton, Thursday.

Mrs. John Ratledge and daughter, of Clayton, is spending the week with her father-in-law, Mr. Nathaniel Ratledge.

The Episcopalian Society of this town, will give an entertainment in the school house hall on next Thursday evening.

DEATH OF MRS. EMILY MARKER
Mrs. Emily Marker, wife of John W. Marker, of Viola, died at her late residence on May 16th, aged 56 years. Deceased was the only daughter of Ezekiel and Susan Reed, and leaves a devoted husband and eight children to mourn her death. Three of her sons, Messrs. Ezekiel R. H. W. and Isaac Marker are residents of this community. Funeral services were held at her late residence on Sunday afternoon at two o'clock, the Rev. Gray officiating. Interment was in Mount Olive Cemetery, near Hockessinville.

Spring Fertilizers

Stored in our Warehouses by bag or ton, for Oats, Potatoes, Tomatoes, Asparagus, Corn, Berries, Peach Trees and General Trucking. Send your teams and orders along. Prompt attention.

JESSE L. SHEPHERD.

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PERSONALITIES

Mr. Edward Vaughan is in Atlantic City.

Miss Florence Gill was in Wilmington over Sunday.

Mrs. Rose Shannon spent yesterday in Philadelphia.

Miss Susan Arthur is visiting her parents in Kenton.

Mrs. David Allen was a Philadelphia visitor this week.

Miss Ida V. Howell was a Philadelphia visitor on Saturday.

Grover Johnson was a Wilmington visitor on Saturday.

Miss Mary R. Brown will spend Sunday in Philadelphia.

Mr. Charles Dickerson, of Wilmington, was in town Thursday.

Mr. George Moore, of Salisbury, was in town Monday evening.

Mr. Wesley Jones is critically ill at his home on East Main street.

Miss Sibylla Jones returned to Cambridge, Md., on Wednesday.

Prof. D. P. Jones, of Townsend, paid our office a brief call Thursday.

Mr. E. S. Jones attended court in Wilmington Monday and Tuesday.

Miss Fannie McCrone spent last Friday and Saturday in Coatesville, Pa.

Miss Hattie Cullen spent Sunday with Miss Nellie Ernest in Philadelphia.

Mrs. Edward Jones and daughter, Bertha, were in Wilmington visitors Monday.

Mr. Horton Hayes, of Wilmington, has been the guest of Charles Byron this week.

Miss Anna McColgan spent Sunday with her sister, Mrs. William Carey, in Wilmington.

Miss Bertha Peacock, of Philadelphia, spent Sunday and Monday with Miss Ada Robinson.

Mrs. Kate Naudain and daughter, Miss Daisy, were in Philadelphia several days this week.

Miss Elizabeth Hopkins returned to her duties at the Delaware State Hospital on Monday.

Mrs. W. J. Bickett is visiting her sister, Mrs. William P. Kenworthy, in Coatesville, Pa.

Mrs. William Carey, of Wilmington, is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James McColgan.

Mr. Samuel Craft and son, of New York, are visiting his brother-in-law, Mr. N. Rosenberg.

Miss Addie Johnson returned home yesterday from a three week's visit with Philadelphia friends.

Mr. James Moore and friend, Mr. James Tippet, of Millington, Md., visited friends in town Sunday.

Mr. Julian Ford, of Wilmington, spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Ford, on Cass street.

Mr. C. M. Stanger who has been in poor health for several months, we are sorry to state is quite ill at this writing.

Miss Gertrude McCrone who has been teaching school near Port Penn, returned home Monday, her school having closed for the summer vacation.

Misses May Buehne and Bertha Byron and Messrs. Frank D. Snyder and John McGuire attended the strawberry festival in St. Georges Thursday.

Mrs. Ida R. McCrone, second assistant teacher in the Middletown High School, and Miss Elsie Jones who have been substituting for Miss Anna B. Maxwell, are in Wilmington to-day attending the examination for New Castle County outside of Wilmington.

ODESSA NOTES

Mrs. Kate Givens is visiting Philadelphia friends.

Mr. Lees, of Wilmington was in town on Thursday.

Mrs. Gardner Keen is visiting relatives in Wilmington.

Mrs. E. T. Warner, of Wilmington, is the guest of her brother, Mrs. D. W. Corbit.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Hofferker, of Chester, Pa., spent Sunday with Mrs. D. E. Morgan.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Arters are spending this week with friends at Tighman's Island, Md.

Mrs. G. E. Coppage and Mrs. G. W. Davis visited Wilmington on Thursday of last week.

Miss Ethel Mally returned Tuesday after spending a few days in Philadelphia and Altin, Pa.

Cyrus P. Keen and cousin, W. Jackson, of Wilmington, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Gardner Keen.

Mr. Harry Long, wife and children, of Wilmington, visited his parents, Theodore Long and wife, on Sunday.

A special sermon will be preached in the M. E. Church to the G. A. R. Post, of this town, to-morrow morning, where they will attend in a body.

Mr. and Mrs. Perry Dutton and daughter Lena, of Stockley, returned to their home Monday after spending a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Spicer.

Camp No. 11, P. O. S. of A., will hold a strawberry festival in Odessa town hall on Wednesday and Thursday evenings, May 27th and 28th. Strawberries, ice cream, water ices, cake and coffee will be served by the ladies. Music will be furnished by the Middletown Orchestra. All are cordially invited to attend.

Sunday being Anniversary Day of Epworth League appropriate services were held in the evening, Cyrus P. Keen presided. The scripture lesson, Psalm 103 was read by Miss Nellie Stevens. Two very interesting papers were read, one, "The Benefits of the Epworth League," by Miss Emma Eccles, and "The Life of John Wesley," by Miss May C. Enos. The annual address was made by Rev. C. T. Wyatt, of Middletown, which was very much enjoyed by all present.

BOHEMIA MANOR ITEMS

Mrs. Albert Spear was a Warwick visitor on Tuesday.

Mr. A. J. Cleaver visited Dover friends one day this week.

Mr. William Berry was a Wilmington visitor on Sunday.

Cow A. B. Berry lost a very valuable cow one day this week.

Mr. A. M. Donovan, of near Middletown, visited the Manor one day this week.

WILL BE OUR GUESTS

Federation of Women's Clubs to Meet in this Town May 28th and 29th.

The Sixth Annual Meeting of the Delaware State Federation of Women's Clubs will be held in Middletown, Thursday and Friday, May 28th and 29th. The headquarters of the Federation will be at the Opera House. The Executive Board and Delegates constituting the voting body of the Delaware State Federation will please present their credentials to the committee on Thursday morning after the arrival of the trains. The Committee on Credentials will be at the Opera House from 10.45 to 12 o'clock Thursday morning.

The Pennsylvania Railroad has issued special orders for all desiring to attend the Federation, on a basis of two cents per mile. These reduced tickets are good from May 27th to 30th, inclusive. It is desired that the clubs purchase for their delegates, which may be procured for fifteen cents each when credentials are presented, or delegates may purchase if they wish to retain them. The trains arriving at 10.27, going north, and 11.40, going south, will be met by the Reception Committee. On Thursday evening Mrs. Jessie Axtell Colsten will give a song-lecture recital. On Friday afternoon Mrs. Ellis Campbell will speak on "Methods in Federation Work." Miss Isamings will talk on Drawing in the Public Schools. Miss Isabel Lord, Librarian of Bryn Mawr College, will tell of the Educational Value of Libraries.

The officers of the Federation are: President, Mrs. Beniah Watson, Dover; 1st Vice President, Mrs. J. S. Willis, Milford; 2d Vice President, Mrs. J. R. Cooke, Seaford; 3rd Vice President, Mrs. L. C. Vandegrift, Wilmington; Recording Secretary, Miss Sarah Cannon, Bridgeville; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. C. C. Fulton, Dover; Treasurer, Mrs. J. E. Hofferker, Smyrna; Auditor, Miss Julia Burton, Georgetown; Federation Secretary, Miss Annie Ellison, Middletown.

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This farm is well watered and very productive, and is one of the most arable country homes in the county. The growing wheat is reserved.

At the same time and place the heirs at law of John C. Groome, deceased, will sell all the following described property of which the said deceased, died, seized, and possessed, and in which the said Mrs. Elizabeth B. Groome held a life interest.

All That Tract of Land, in the First Election District of Cecil county, now occupied by Peter Haggerty, and about four miles from Earlville, at the mouth of Pearce's Creek and on the south side of the Elk River, containing

479 Acres, More or Less

156 of which is marsh land, but nearly the whole of the balance the best of arable land.

The improvements are a FRAME DWELING HOUSE, ONE FRAME TENANT HOUSE and the usual outbuildings, all in good condition. There is also a valuable fishery on the river shore. This property outside of its value for farming purposes is especially adapted to fishing and hunting, and would make a hunter's paradise.

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All That Tract of Land situated about two miles from Elkton on the road leading from Elkton to Glasgow, and now occupied by J. Harry Catts, and containing

220 ACRES OF LAND, more or less.

More or less, and is improved by a FRAME DWELING, Barn and the usual outbuildings, all in good condition. This farm in the last three years has had over three thousand dollars spent in general improvements and is now in first class condition. Growing wheat reserved.

All That Tract of Land situated on the Nottingham road, about three miles from Elkton, and adjoining the lands of William Brennan and others, and containing 155 ACRES OF LAND, more or less.

This land is unimproved but is covered by valuable timber.

Also a Lot of Land situated on Bow street in Elkton, and improved by a BRICK HOUSE, now occupied by Hyland Marcus.

Also an Unimproved Tract of LAND situated in the town of Elkton, on North street, north of the P. B. & W. R. R., and adjoining the lands of John E. Alexander and Mrs. Kate M. Parker, and containing 8 ACRES OF LAND, more or less.

This lot has a frontage on North street of 47 feet, and is one of the most valuable tracts in Elkton for the building of dwelling houses. This lot may be offered in sections.

It is hoped that all intending purchasers of real estate will avail themselves of this grand opportunity, for this is to be a positive sale, made necessary in order to close the above estates.

TERMS—One-third of purchase money be paid in cash on day of sale and the balance in six months from day of sale. Credit payments to bear interest from day of sale and to be secured by notes or bonds of purchaser, with security to be approved to the satisfaction of the undersigned.

Purchasers to pay cost of conveyances. Further information regarding any of the tracts will gladly be furnished by Albert Constable, Jr., of Elkton, Md.

MARIA G. KNIGHT, ELIZABETH G. CONSTABLE, JANE G. BLACK, Executrices of Elizabeth B. Groome, deceased.

ALBERT CONSTABLE, JR., Agent for the heirs of John C. Groome, deceased.

W. J. Smith, Aucr. m23-3t

Sale of Valuable Real Estate!

The heirs of the late John C. Groome, will offer Public Auction, at the Court House door, in the town of Chester, Maryland, on

AT LLOYD'S HOTEL, IN ODESSA, ON WEDNESDAY MAY 27th, and WEDNESDAY, JUNE 24th, 1903, From 10 A. M. to 4 P. M.

AT STEDMAN'S HOTEL, IN PORT PENN, ON THURSDAY, MAY 28th, and THURSDAY, JUNE 25th, 1902 From 1 to 4 P. M.

AT MY OFFICE IN MIDDLETOWN, Adams' Express Building, every day and evening except the above dates.

Please read the following Extract of the Law: "That on all taxes paid before the first day of October there shall be an abatement of five per centum; on all taxes paid before the first day of December there shall be an abatement of three per centum; on all taxes paid during the month of December there shall be no abatement whatever; and on all taxes unpaid on the first day of January next ensuing five per centum thereof shall be added thereto."

ALSO, PLEASE TAKE NOTICE: As my time as Collector will expire on July 1st, 1903, and as I am compelled to make settlement with the Levy Court, all persons who have not paid their taxes for the year 1902, will be proceeded against by law as provided by the Court, as I cannot wait any longer.

T. E. HURN, Collector of Taxes for St. Georges Hundred.

The Transcript \$1.

Public Sale

OF VALUABLE

Real Estate!

By virtue of power and authority contained in the last will and testament of Elizabeth B. Groome, deceased, and of an order of the Orphans' Court of Cecil County, the undersigned, the Executrices of said will, will sell at public auction, at the Court House door in Elkton, in said county, on

Monday, JUNE 8, 1903

AT 11.30 O'CLOCK, A. M.,

All That Tract of Land, situated in the First Election District of Cecil county, on the road leading from the town of Cecilton to Earlville and adjoining the village of Earlville, being the tract of land which was conveyed unto Elizabeth B. Groome by William M. Knight, executor, by deed now of record in Liber J. A. Davis, No. 10, folio 282, one of the land record books of Cecil county, and containing

346 Acres, More or Less

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